

Oregon County Soil & Water Conservation District Summer 2013 Newsletter

1st Annual Farm Trade Show

By: Sarah Stubbs

The Oregon County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors and Staff hosted their 1st Annual Farm Trade Show on March 9, 2013 at the Alton Elementary Multi-Purpose Building. There were 45 Ag-related and home based businesses that displayed their products for the approximately 500 people in attendance. The Oregon County SWCD Board of Supervisors and Staff would like to thank the following businesses for the support in making this year's Trade Show a success:

Alton Bank, Alton FFA Chapter, Aquatic Control, Baker Farm Services, Bank of Thayer, Barn Hollow Veterinary Service, "Blessings" Naturally Simple, BUB Ranch, C & D Limousin, Concrete Works, COSO Farm, Couch FFA Chapter, Double B Goat Farm, Eleven Point Apiary, FCS Financial, Fin to Fur, FNBC, Farm Service Agency, Healthy Acres, Hirsch Feed & Farm Supply, J & S Ranch, Kemper Sprigging, Larson Farm and Lawn, Lynch Equipment, Missouri Department of Conservation, MFA, MASBDA, Mix-30 \ JT4 Feeds, MO Cat and Cow Veterinary Clinic, Missouri University Extension Office, Myrtle Fertilizer, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Oregon County Buying Station, Pennington Seed Company, Richards Brothers, S & H Farm Supply, Select Sires MidAmerica, Shaw Haybarn, Simmons 1st National Bank, Simpson's True Value, Thayer Farm Center, Thayer Plant Food, and Young's Produce.

We also want to thank Wesley Conrad, Joey Johnson, Amos Purcell, Audrey Purcell, Garek Purcell, Gaylon Purcell, Kalan Roberts, Tom Roberts, Jason Stubbs, Jeff Trantham, Susie VanCamp, Mary Ellen Williams, Marlene Wilson, the Alton Comet Cavaliers 4-H Club, the Youth Teaching Youth Mentoring Group, and Harps for assisting with this year's Trade Show.

The Oregon County SWCD Board and Staff want to say a huge thank you to the public who supported them by attending the Trade Show. We are looking forward to the 2nd Annual Trade Show which will be held March 8, 2014! For more information please feel free to contact our office at 417-778-7561 Ext. 3.

Women in Ag Conference

By: Sarah Stubbs

The 19th Annual Missouri Women in Agriculture Conference will be held September 16th - 18th, 2013 in Farmington, Missouri. The theme of this year's conference is "Women in Ag Down Under in SE Missouri". The conference will include workshops, tradeshow, a banquet with guest speaker, Susie O, and tours of the Bonne Terre Mine, the St. Joe Mining Museum, and the Hacienda de Molinero.

The registration for the conference is \$70.00 per person. However, the Oregon County Soil and Water Conservation District will pay the registration fee for the first 3 women on a first come, first serve basis. If you would like to attend the conference, or for more information please contact Freda Johnson at 417-778-7561 Ext. 109.

Policy Changes

By: Sarah Stubbs

The Oregon County Soil and Water Conservation District has four Haybuster No-Till Drills, a sprayer, and broadcast seeder for rent. Unfortunately, due to issues that have occurred in the last few years there have been some changes to our rental policy.

The equipment will be rented on a first come, first serve basis. This means if a person is ready to use the equipment then he/she will be placed ahead of the landowners asking for a specific date. For instance when renting a no-till drill the word “ready” means, the renter has the field prepped, seed purchased, and willing to use the drill until done.

Also, before renting any equipment the renter must show proof of insurance on the vehicle transporting the equipment and sign the new rental agreement. Failure to do either of these two items will delay the rental of the equipment.

If you have any questions or would like to reserve a drill, the sprayer, or broadcast seeder; feel free to contact our office at 417-778-7561 Ext. 3.

FOR RENT

NO-TILL DRILL \$10.00 / ACRE

BROADCAST SEEDER \$ 35.00 / DAY

SPRAYER \$60.00 / DAY

There will be a \$50 clean up fee if the sprayer is returned unclean.

If you have any questions or to rent the

Seeder, Sprayer, or No-Till Drill

Contact Freda Johnson or Jason Kemper at

(417)-778-7561 Ext. 3

Warm Fork of Spring River

By: Freda Johnson

The Oregon County Soil and Water Conservation District has cost-share funds available through the Specialized Area Land Treatment (SALT). The SALT program was approved in 2008 which provides funding for cost-share practices for landowners within the Warm Fork watershed.

There is currently an effort to obtain additional cost-share funding to assist with the streambank issues along Warm Fork of Spring River. If you have erosion problems or would like additional information, please contact Freda Johnson at 417-778-7561 Ext. 109.



Musk Thistle Workshop

July 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Alton Multi-Purpose Building

Hosted by:

University Missouri Extension

Oregon County SWCD

NRCS

Oregon County Commissioners

**Call 417-778-7490 to register
for the free workshop.**

Deer Management Workshop

July 18, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Alton Multi-Purpose Building

Hosted by:

University Missouri Extension

Oregon County SWCD

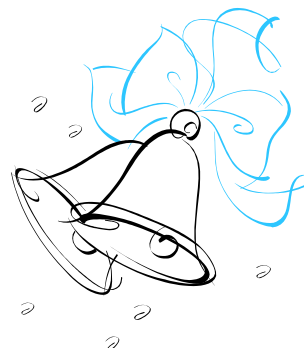
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Guess who tied the knot?

Oregon County Soil and Water Conservation District
Technician II, Jason Kemper, married Amanda Bettis
on June 3, 2013 at the Macedonia Baptist Church
north of Alton, Missouri.

Congratulations!!!



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